

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: GENE PRODUCTS DIFFERENTIALLY  
EXPRESSED IN CANCEROUS COLON  
CANCER CELLS AND THEIR METHODS OF  
USE

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Examiner: C. L. Smith

**SUBMISSION IN CONNECTION WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the final Office Action dated December 21, 2007 (Paper No. 20071212), for which a response was due on March 21, 2008. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for three months extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to June 23, 2008 (June 21 and 22 falling on a Saturday and Sunday, respectively). Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.